

## **New sparse polymethylsiloxane dendrimers**

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### **Materials and Equipment**

The following reagents and supporting compounds were used in this work: triethoxymethylsilane, diethoxydimethylsilane, trichloromethylsilane, dichloromethylphenylsilane from Acros Organic; SOCl<sub>2</sub> and NaOH from LLC Ruskhim.ru; hexane 97.76% from LLC Ruskhim.ru; toluene of analytical grade from LLC Khimpromtorg; and tetrahydrofuran (THF) 99.8% from LLC Ruskhim.ru.

GPC analysis was performed on a Shimadzu LC-10A chromatograph (Japan) with an RID-10A refractometer and an SPD-M10A detector with a diode array, 7.8x300 mm columns, Phenogel sorbent (Phenomenex USA), pore size 500 Å, toluene + 2% THF as the eluent, flow rate 1 ml min<sup>-1</sup>, temperature 40°C.

Dendrimer samples were purified with a Shimadzu preparative chromatographic system (Japan, Germany): Shimadzu LC-20AT high-pressure pump; RID-20A detector-refractometer; Shimadzu SIL-10ADvp automatic injector; Shimadzu FRC-10A automatic fraction collector; 300x21.2 mm column, Phenogel (Phenomenex, USA), pore size 500Å; toluene as the eluent; flow rate 5 ml min<sup>-1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker WP-250 SY spectrometer in CDCl<sub>3</sub> solutions. <sup>29</sup>Si NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance AV-300 spectrometer (300 MHz) with TMS as the internal standard and CDCl<sub>3</sub> as the solvent. Thermal analysis of dendrimers was performed using a DSC-3 differential scanning calorimeter (Mettler-Toledo, Switzerland) with a heating rate of 10 K/min.

GLC analysis was performed on a “Chromatek Analytic 5000” chromatograph (Russia) using a catharometer detector, helium as the carrier gas, 2 m x 3 mm columns, and SE-30 (5%) stationary phase applied on Chromaton-H-AW. Recording and processing of data was carried out using the “Chromatek Analytic” program (Russia).

### **Experimental**

Me<sub>2</sub>(EtO)Si-ONa and Me(EtO)<sub>2</sub>Si-ONa were obtained by the technique reported previously [E. A. Rebrov, A. M. Muzafarov, *Heteroatom Chemistry*, 2006, **17**, 514]. Trimethylsilanol Me<sub>3</sub>Si-OH was obtained as reported [R. R. Khairova, S. A. Milenin, G. V. Cherkaev, I. I. Stoikov, A. M. Muzafarov, *Russ. Chem. Bull., Int. Ed.*, 2016, **65**, 1285].

**G0(sp)(OEt), (1)**, {Si<sub>4</sub><sup>3</sup>(OEt)}. Under argon, a solution of MeSiCl<sub>3</sub> (56.33 g, 0.377 mol) in dry hexane (200 ml) was added dropwise to Me<sub>2</sub>(OEt)Si-ONa (160.76 g, 1.131 mol) dry hexane (570 ml) at -55 °C with intensive stirring. The mixture was allowed to reach room temperature, and stirring was continued for 5 h. The precipitate was separated by filtration. After removing the solvent on a rotary evaporator and fractionating the crude product under reduced pressure (100 mbar), 105.28 g (69.7%) of the fraction with bp 195-8 °C and a purity of ~93% was collected :

$^1\text{H NMR } \delta$  (250MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 3.75 (q, 6H, J 7.0 Hz,  $-\text{SiO}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.20 (t, 9H, J 7.0 Hz,  $-\text{SiO}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3$ ), 0.09 (s, 18H,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}_2$ ), 0.13 (s, 3H,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}_3$ ).

**G0(sp)(Cl), (2)**,  $\{\text{Si}_4^3(\text{Cl})\}$ . Compound **1** (10.13 g, 0.025 mol) was boiled with  $\text{SOCl}_2$  (36.07 g, 0.303 mol)  $\text{SOCl}_2$  in the presence DMF (0.55 g, 0.008 mol) at 90 °C with intensive stirring. After 9 hours, the mixture was cooled down to the room temperature, and the volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. The obtained liquid residue, 9.3 g (98.8%), was dissolved in dry hexane (25 ml). The Cl content in the solution is 8.58%.  $^1\text{HNMR } \delta$  (250MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 0.48 (s, 18H,  $-\text{OSi}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Cl}$ ), 0.21 (s, 3H,  $-\text{SiO}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ ).

**G1(sp)(OEt)<sub>2</sub>, (6)**,  $\{\text{Si}_7^6(\text{OEt})\}$ . Under conditions similar to the synthesis of compound **1**, the reaction of  $\text{Me}(\text{EtO})_2\text{Si}-\text{ONa}$  (7.99 g, 0.046 mol) dissolved in dry toluene (36 ml) and solution of compound **2** (5.72 g) in dry hexane (20 ml, Cl content 0.046 mol) was carried out. The reaction mixture was filtered, and the volatiles were removed under reduced pressure to leave 10.44 g (95.4%) of the crude product of 88% purity.  $^1\text{H NMR } \delta$  (250MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 3.76 (q, 12H, J 7.0 Hz,  $-\text{SiO}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.19 (t, 18H, J 7.0 Hz  $-\text{SiO}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3$ ),  $\Sigma$  0.12 - 0.09 (s, 30H,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}$ ).

**G1(sp)(Cl)<sub>2</sub>, (7)**,  $\{\text{Si}_7^6(\text{Cl})\}$ . Under conditions similar to synthesis **2**, compound **6** (10 g, 0.015 mol) and  $\text{SOCl}_2$  (40.04 g, 0.337 mol) were reacted in the presence of DMF (0.61 g, 0.008 mol) for 15 h. After removing the volatiles under reduced pressure 8.85 g (90.7%) of the liquid product was obtained. The product was dissolved in dry hexane (50 ml), the Cl content in the solution was 6.38%.  $^1\text{H NMR } \delta$  (250MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 0.78 (s, 9H,  $-\text{OSi}(\text{CH}_3)\text{Cl}_2$ ), 0.21 (s, 21H,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}$ ).

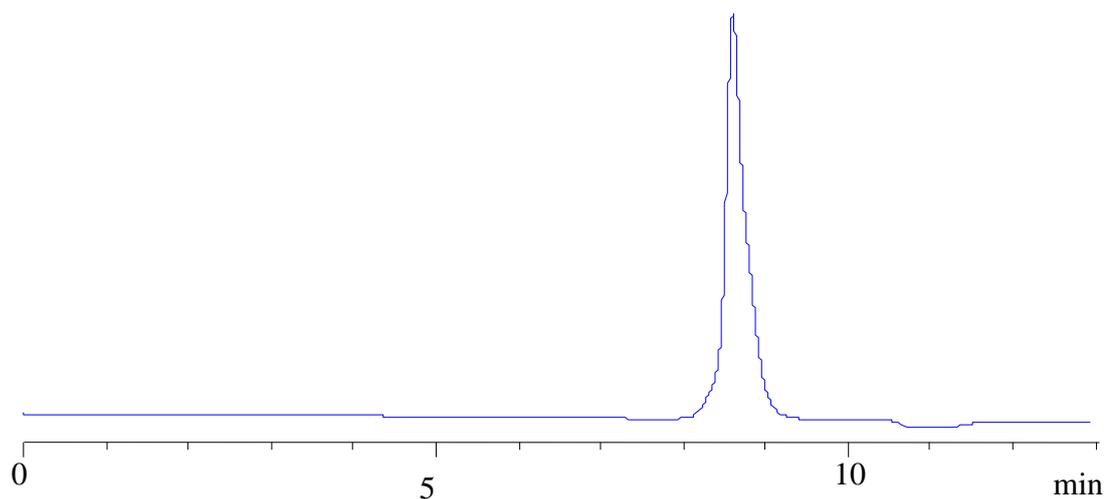
**G1(sp)(OEt), (8)**,  $\{\text{Si}_{13}^6(\text{OEt})\}$ . Under conditions similar to the synthesis of compound **6**, the reaction of  $\text{Me}_2(\text{OEt})\text{Si}-\text{ONa}$  (9.92 g, 0.070 mol) dissolved in dry toluene (55ml) and the above solution of chloro dendrimer **7** in dry hexane (45 ml, Cl content 0.070 mol) was carried out. The reaction mixture was filtered, and the volatiles were removed under the reduced pressure to leave 11.5 g (86.5%) of the crude liquid product of 77.3% purity.  $^1\text{H NMR } \delta$  (250MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 3.73 (q, 6H, J 7.0 Hz,  $-\text{SiO}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.19 (t, 9H, J 7.0 Hz,  $-\text{SiO}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3$ ), 0.10 (s, 66H,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}$ ).

**G1(sp)(Cl), (9)**,  $\{\text{Si}_{13}^6(\text{Cl})\}$ . Under conditions similar to the synthesis compound **2**, reactant **8** (11.5 g, 0.010 mol) and  $\text{SOCl}_2$  (28.36 g, 0.238 mol) were reacted in the presence of DMF (0.44 g, 0.006 mol) for 12 h. After removing the volatiles under reduced pressure, 10.4 g (95.1%) of the liquid product was obtained which was dissolved in dry hexane (50 ml). The Cl content in the solution is 4.87%.  $^1\text{HNMR } \delta$  (250MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 0.46 (s, 36H,  $-\text{O}-\text{Si}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Cl}$ ), 0.13 (s, 30H,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}_3$ ).

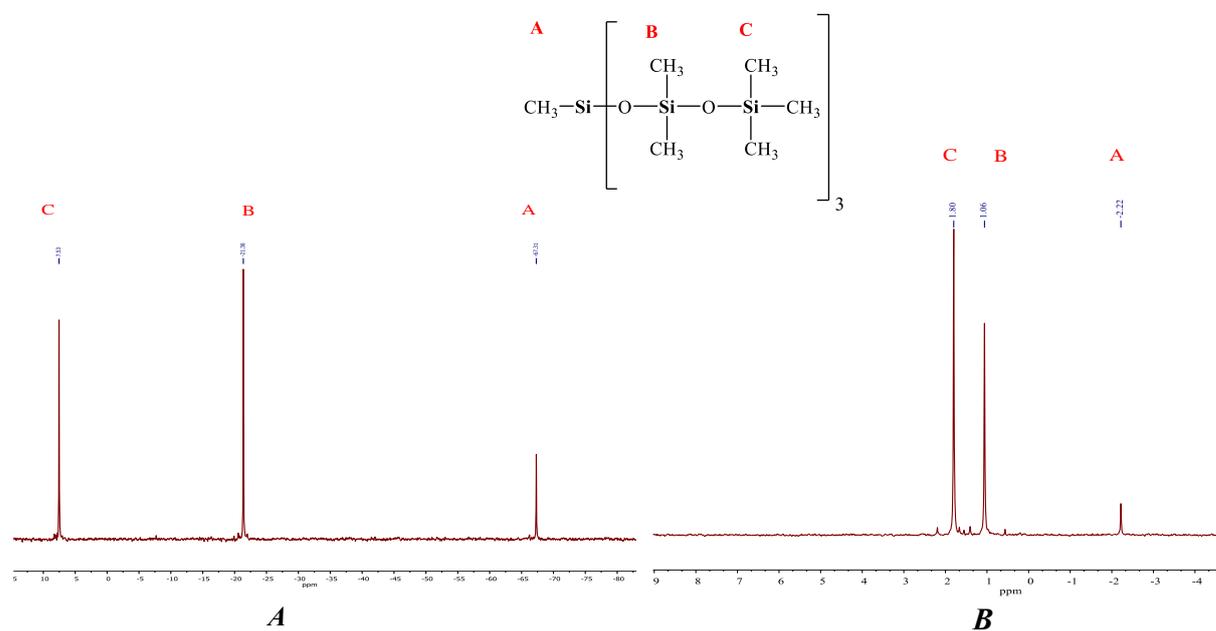
Synthesis of **G-0(sp)(OSiMe<sub>3</sub>) (5)**. A solution of compound **2** (11.78 g) in dry hexane (Cl content = 0.041 mol) was added dropwise at  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  in an argon flow to trimethylsilanol (11.00 g, 0.122 mol) and pyridine (3.52 g, 0.045 mol) at the rate that the temperature did not exceed  $-25^\circ\text{C}$ . The suspension was stirred for 5 h at room temperature until pH value became neutral. The solution was washed with water, dried with  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and the solvent was evaporated at 2 mbar to leave 3.83 g (55.3%) of the crude product with a GPC purity of 78.1%. Purification by preparative chromatography yielded 1.81 g of the pure product.  $\text{Si}_7\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{48}\text{O}_6$ , mol. mass (calc.) 533.15 g/mol.  $^1\text{H NMR } \delta$  (250MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 0.08 (s, 27H,  $-\text{SiO}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ ), 0.05 (s, 21H,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}$ ).  $^{29}\text{Si NMR } \delta$  (60MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 7.53 (s,  $\text{OSi}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ ),  $-21.37$  (s,  $-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SiO}_2$ ),  $-67.33$  (s,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}_3$ ).

Synthesis of **G-1(sp)(OSiMe<sub>3</sub>) (4)**. The reaction of trimethylsilanol (7.76 g, 0.086 mol), pyridine (2.50 g, 0.032 mol) and a solution of compounds **9** (28.81 g) in hexane (Cl content = 0.029 mol) was carried out under conditions similar to the synthesis of compound **5**. The mixture was stirred

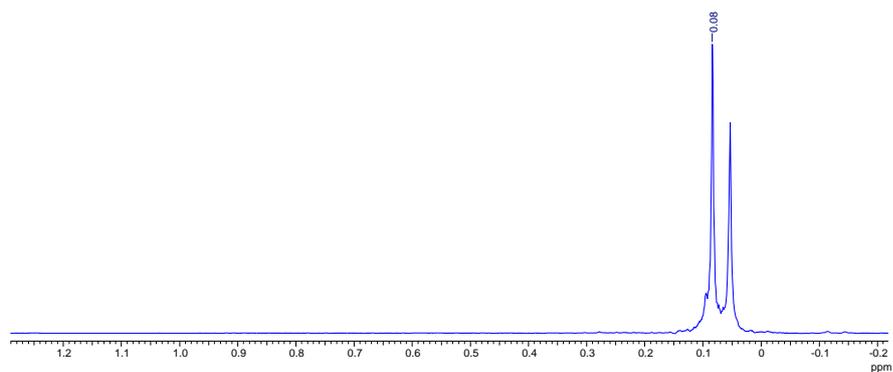
for 7 h and cooled down to room temperature. After the process completion, the medium was neutral. The mixture was treated and the product was isolated similarly to the synthesis of compound **5**. The crude product (4.57 g, 67.2%) had a GPC purity of 56.0%. Purification by preparative chromatography yielded 1.82 g of the pure product.  $\text{Si}_{19}\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{120}\text{O}_{18}$ , mol. mass (calc.) 1423.00 g/mol.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta$  (250MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 0.04 - 0.08 (s, 120H,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}$ ).  $^{29}\text{Si}$  NMR  $\delta$  (60MHz  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 7.23 (s,  $\text{OSi}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ ); -21.64 (s,  $-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SiO}_2$ ); -67.43 (s,  $-(\text{CH}_3)\text{SiO}_3$ ).



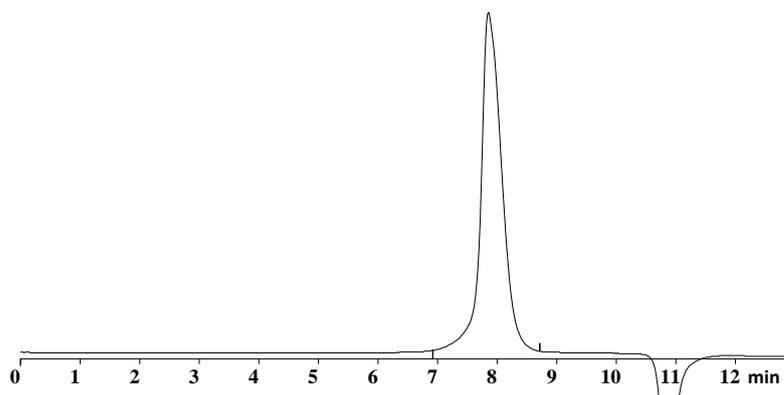
**Figure S1** GPC curve of dendrimer **5** after purification.



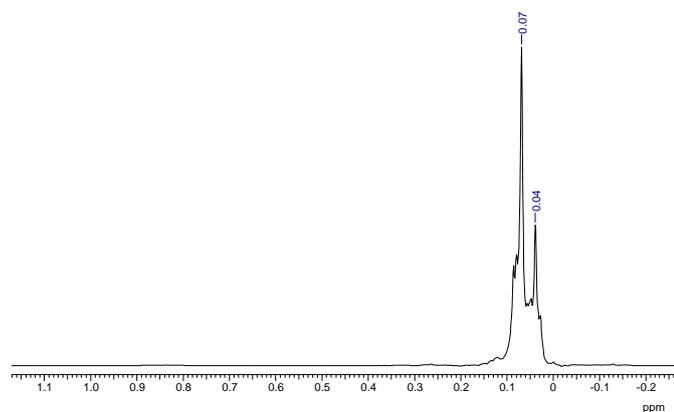
**Figure S2** NMR spectra of dendrimer **5**: (A)  $^{29}\text{Si}$  NMR, (B)  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR.



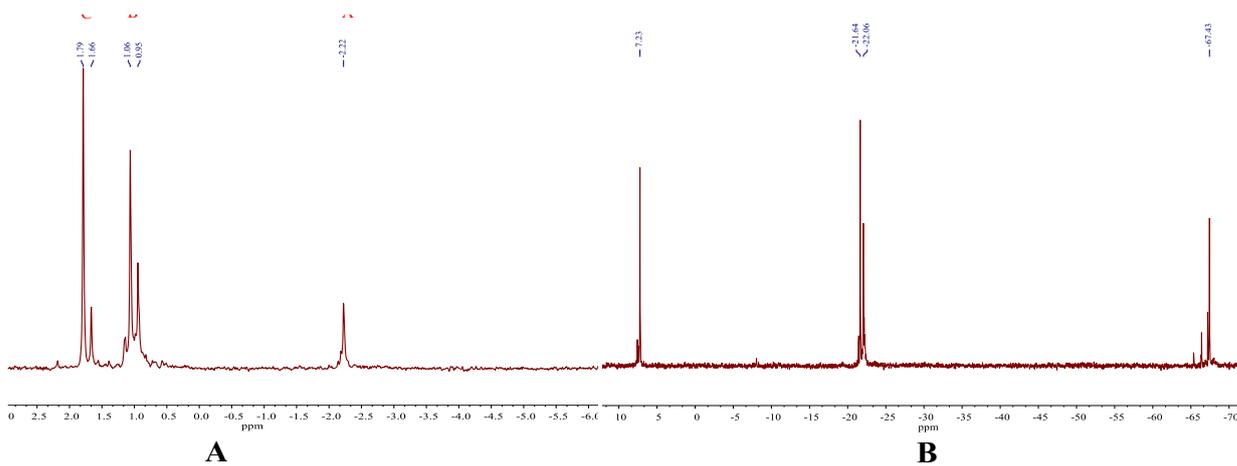
**Figure S3** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **G0(sp)(OSiMe<sub>3</sub>), (5)** dendrimer.



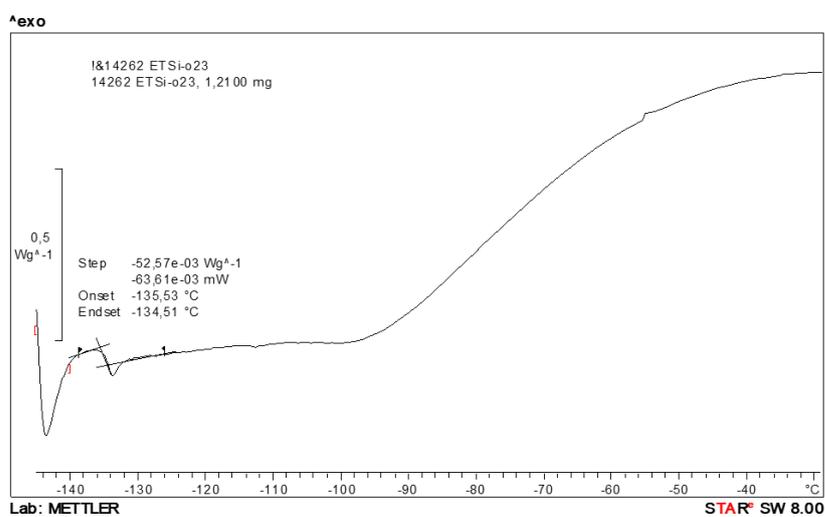
**Figure S4** GPC curve of purified **G-1(sp)(OSiMe<sub>3</sub>), (4)** dendrimer.



**Figure S5** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **G-1(sp)(OSiMe<sub>3</sub>), (4)** dendrimer.



**Figure S6** NMR spectra of dendrimer 4: (A)-  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR, (B)-  $^{29}\text{Si}$  NMR.



**Figure S7** DSC curve of dendrimer 5.